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A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office Action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114.

Applicant's submission filed on 11/02/2007 has been entered.

Applicant's amendment, filed 11/02/2007, has been entered.

Claims 1-3 and 34-35 have been amended.

Claims 8-17, 21 and 38-39 have been canceled.

Claims 1-7, 18-20 and 22-37 are pending.

Upon reconsideration of applicant's arguments and amended claims, filed 11/02/2007, the previous rejections under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, enablement and 35 USC 103(a) have been withdrawn.

The terminal disclaimers, filed on 11/23/2007, disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of USSN 10/227,488 and U.S. Patent No. 6,991,791 have been reviewed and have been accepted.

The terminal disclaimers have been recorded.


All claims are deemed allowable pending a determination of a potential interference.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Phillip Gambel whose telephone number is (571) 272-0844. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm. A message may be left on the examiner's voice mail service. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eileen O'Hara can be reached on (571) 272-0878.

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